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In re application of:

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MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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Technology Center 2600AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTIONAssistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the first office action of July 26, 2000, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 13 of the Specification, line 16, please change "37" to --36--; at page 15, line 13, change "fie" to --file--; at page 16, line 5, change "form" to --from--; and at page 21, line 13, change "identify" to --identity--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 17 and 18, without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 13, 16, and 25, as follows, a full set of the previously pending claims as amended being set forth below for the convenience of the Examiner:

1. A system for managing handwritten signatures,
comprising:

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